ने देखो हैं जिनमें एक विशिष्ट दस्तावेज को लेखिका के रूप में संयुक्त राष्ट्र में अमरीको स्थायी प्रतिनिधि सुश्री जीन कर्कपैट्रिक का नाम दिया गया है, बाद में यह दसतावेज भारत की एक पत्रिका में भी प्रकाशित हुआ है और सरकार ने उसका पूरा पाठ देखा। इस मामले को अमरीका के दूतावास के साथ और अमरीका विदेश विभाग के साथ भी उठाया गया। नई दिल्ली स्थित अमरीकी राजदूतावास ने कहा है कि संयुक्त राष्ट्र में अमरीकी की राजदूत ने इस दस्तावेज की प्रमाणिकता को मानने से स्पष्ट इंकार किया है और साथ ही यह भी कहा है कि उन्होंने "भारत के विघटन से प्रत्यक्ष रूप से अथवा उससे दूर तक का ताल्लुक रखने वाली कोई बात न तो उन्होंने कभी लिखी है, न कही है और न कभी सोची ही है।"

Efforts to secure the release of Shri Nelson Mandela,

South African Nationalist leader

@1089. SHRI GOPALSAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken by Government for the release of South African Nationalist leader Shri Nelson Mandela who had been in jail for the last 20 years;

(b) whether Government propose to raise this issue again in the World forum including U. N. O. immediately; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI A. A. RAHIM); (a) to (c) India has repeatedly urged th© release of Nelson Mandela and other freedom fighters imprisoned by the racist regime of South Africa, for their just fight against the inhuman system of apartheid and racial discrimination. The 7th Non-alijined Summit* EeTd in New Delhi in March 1983 which India chaired, unanimously called for the unconditional release of Nelson Mandela and all other Political prisoners and for grant of prisoner-of-war status to all captured freedom fighters. At the U. N.; and other international gatherings, India has always strongly supported the various initiatives taken from time to time to secure the release of Nelson Mandela and others. The Government intends to continue this policy.

Indian detained in Burmese Jails

@@1090. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that Indian citizens are being kept illegally in Burmese jails;

(b) if so, the number of persons thus detained illegally; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government for their speedy release?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI A. A. RAHIM): (a) There are a few Indian citizens and persons of Indian origin in Burmese jails. They are those apprehended by the Burmese authorities for having violated Burmese laws and cannot, therefore, be considered aa being kept in jails illegally.

(b) According to available information, there are 33 Indian citizens and person* of Indian origin in various jails in Burma.

(c) Our Mission in Rangoon is in regular touch with the Burmese authorities regarding thr welfare, release and, where neeessary, return home of such Indian nationals, who have to be distinguished from th© people of Indian origin.

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